

## Mike Steenhoek, Executive Director Soy Transportation Coalition

Mike Steenhoek is executive director of the Soy Transportation Coalition (STC), an initiative established in 2007 and comprised of the United Soybean Board, the American Soybean Association, and thirteen state soybean boards. The Soy Transportation Coalition exists to promote a cost effective, reliable, and competitive transportation system that serves the agriculture industry.

As executive director of the STC, Mike's responsibilities include communicating the initiative and the importance of transportation issues to soybean growers and processors; establishing and executing the organization's strategic direction; and building collaborations with other effected industries.

Mike is a member of the U.S. Department of Commerce's Advisory Committee on Supply Chain Competitiveness, the Transportation Research Board's Committee on Inland Water Transportation, and the Iowa Department of Transportation's Freight Advisory Council.

Prior to his work on the STC, Mike worked for United States Senator Charles Grassley (Iowa) for eight years – both in Washington, DC, and most recently in Des Moines, Iowa. In Washington, DC, Mike served as the Senator's scheduler and frequent speechwriter. In Des Moines, Mike served as Senator Grassley's director of economic development.

Mike received both his undergraduate degree and his Masters in Business Administration from the University of Iowa.